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Council takes issue with additional inspection fees

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands councillors are taking exception to additional fees that are to be charged to residents who have their mandatory septic system inspections performed by a third party under a new, mandatory septic inspection program.

The township has hired firm WSP Canada to conduct the lid-off inspections, which are scheduled to begin this year. In a cost-recovery model to cover the almost \$1 million contract, residents will each be charged just less than \$180 for their inspections.

During numerous discussions regarding the program, councillors have indicated that there should be some mechanism to allow residents who've recently had septic system inspections completed to use documentation from those inspections for the purposes of the program.

Council recently passed a bylaw to enact the program.

"One component of the bylaw allows a home owner to retain the services of a third party to complete the inspection of



Road show brings reptiles to kids

Staff from Scales Nature Park introduce Junior the snapping turtle to children at the Reptiles Road Show at the Haliburton Fish Hatchery on March 17. Kids got a chance to learn about the many species of reptile that call Haliburton County home. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

Sister Act brings joy to church gathering

by SUE TIFFIN Times Staff

In the 1992 musical comedy Sister Act, Whoopi Goldberg stars as a troubled lounge singer from Reno with no thought of God. After becoming an accidental witness to a murder, she is given protective custody in a convent, where she ends up inspiring the see AH page 2 | choir into musical greatness.

The movie is familiar to many, but that's only one of the reasons why the Sister Act group of the Anglican Parish of Minden, Kinmount and Maple Lake is so well-received whenever they step onto the stage.

Each time they are introduced, usually by Rev. Canon Joan Cavanaugh, the choir of about 12 parishioners clad in handmade nun habits even on the warmest of days, are greeted with smiles and giggles from the audience. Their faces beam with joy as they look toward Shawn Chamberlin, who often plays keyboard for some of their lively hits that include "I'm a Believer," "Spirit in the Sky," but also traditional songs like "Amazing Grace" - and sometimes, depending on the gig, the national anthem.

The spirited choir started joining together soon after Cavanaugh came to the community, to St. James in Kinmount, St. Paul's in Minden and St. Peter's in Maple Lake -

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AH staff to consult with inspection firm

their septic system at their own expense," reads a March 15 staff report from township chief building official Dave Rogers. "The agreement with WSP does not include a cost associated with WSP collecting the data and compiling that information from a third party provider."

WSP provided a method of reviewing inspections completed by third parties, the suggested cost for which would be \$144.50, also charged to the property owner.

That cost includes \$48 for review of the inspection report and credentials of the third-party inspector; \$42 for transcribing the report from the third party into digital format; \$19 for following up with the third party for questions regarding credentials and identification; and \$33 for project support completed prior to the third party identification.

According to Rogers' report, this last item includes the cost per property of the annual report, public notification, records review, database creation and mail-outs.

Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen said she wished the company had made this requirement clearer sooner, which would have allowed the township to inform residents during the "septic social" educational events it held last year.

"You're going to have to pay twice the money," Danielsen said. "You're going to have to pay for your inspection, plus this."

Mayor Carol Moffatt said the number of residents who'd already had inspections completed would likely be quite low, and said she didn't realize that some residents might

have been seeking prices lower than the fee they would be third-party review fees being suggested by WSP. charged through the program.

"You're hard-pressed to get a third party to do your septic system inspection for 170 bucks," Moffatt said. "So I'm not sure why people would go out and get a third party. And again, talk about understanding, it was my understanding that some people, they wouldn't be going out to seek someone different from WSP. . . but they might have already had it. And how many of those people could there possibly be?"

Councillor Brian Lynch said he was aware of a group of residents near Dorset who thought they'd group together to hire someone privately and that, by sharing the cost, they would come out with per-property expenses less than what they would be through the program.

"They felt they could do better than the \$179 . . and they thought, all we have to do is hand in this piece of paper, and we're done," Lynch said.

"But what happens if somebody hands in a piece of paper that was produced by Uncle Frank?" Moffatt said, adding the township had a responsibility to ensure that third-party inspections meet the criteria of the program.

She reiterated it hadn't been her understanding that residents were going to try to seek out better prices.

"It's never been my understanding that people were going to choose a third-party inspector because they feel they can do better than 179 bucks, but that they might have already done it," Moffatt said.

Councillor Marlene Kyle took serious exception to the

"I have a hard time with the costs that are presented here," said Kyle. "The first item on there, \$48 for review of the inspection report and the credentials. So, if we have, pick a number, 100 [third-party inspections], there's probably only going to be maybe three people who do those inspections, because think about where we live. We don't have access to hundreds of people, different companies, that have inspection credentials.

"To me, they're double-dipping and triple-dipping on their \$48 per property," Kyle said. "I have a hard time with their costs, all of their costs."

Moffatt agreed that, given the few people in the area qualified to perform inspections, it seemed illogical to have to check their credentials over and over again.

"So, it's a bit confusing," Moffatt said.

Chief administrative officer Angie Bird suggested that the township may be able to absorb the cost of the thirdparty review fee for what would ultimately likely be a small number of residents.

"The other option for council is, there is likely going to be so few of these, that we absorb them," Bird said.

Councillors requested that Rogers take their concerns with the proposed fee back to the company.

"There are going to be people not very happy about this at all, and understandably, so, as such, I think you're hearing council ask to go back and have a chat with WSP," Moffatt said.

Nuns' choir shows the fun side of the church

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what she calls, "one church with the convenience of three buildings." At that time, Cavanaugh said there was always a gathering of women doing things together, but typically the activity focused on cooking, or dinners.

"I wanted to join together for the ladies to get to know each other, but also to be able to go out in the community and show people that being part of a church, part of a worshipping body, isn't dull and boring," said Cavanaugh.

When she suggested the idea of a Sister Act choir based on the movie, which Cavanaugh said speaks theologically to her of what their mission is, at first the women's reactions were a bit hesitant.

"They said, 'oh no, we can't do that," she laughs.

But soon enough, people began signing up - and some of those people are still original members of the choir, who Cavanaugh said are, "standing up and proclaiming their love of God through music.'

Since then, they travel to about two or three events a year, and are also a fixture at many community events, including Canada Day and concerts at the county's long-term care homes. They've even been spotted in costume on the way to events helping turtles from the road, or assisting at car accidents. But one of the most memorable of their group's experiences was the honour of taking part in Toronto's 157th session of Synod this past November. The gathering brings all the licensed clergy in the diocese and lay members (nonclergy) together in a mass meeting, where between speakers, guests are treated to entertainment.



Sister Act performs at the **Anglican Diocese** of Toronto 157th **Regular Session** of Synod, themed "Growing in Christ," held at the Sheraton **Parkway Toronto** North Hotel in Richmond Hill on Friday, November 24, 2017. /Photo by Michael Hudson

"I think one of the highlights was going to Synod and being so well-received," said Cavanaugh. "Hearing the words of other people who go to church and say, 'it's a breath of

Cavanaugh said the group is one important part of what

the church does in the community, including hosting a thrift shop, donating space to clubs in need, reaching out to help neighbours, that is part of a Christian purpose of proclaiming the gospel and Christ's love in the community, to help each other grow. And while engaging in that mission, there's a lot of fun to be had and laughter to be shared – especially from the crowd when they recognize the former bank manager or head of the fair board on stage.

"Being part of a church and growing in your faith means we have a responsibility to ourselves, the community and God to be as open and as fun and as creative as we can be to help bring the message of peace and love and joy to the community and the world," she said.

She's humble about her own role in encouraging and supporting the group, but appreciates very much the group's efforts in, "bringing joy to people and being that little bit of entertainment that's different."

The Sister Act choir will be seen at various events throughout the county this year. Members include Wendy Ladurantaye, Wendy Connelly, Daisy Downs, Nadene Campbell, Sylvia Claridge, Marg O'Shaughnessy, Shirley Mitchell, Barbara Trocewitz, Pat Fraser, Theresa Riley, B.J. Harpur, Mennie Manangan, Tess Husbands, Elli Chamberlin and Martha Waind.



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AH council skeptical on additional dwellings

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands councillors were not big on the idea of allowing additional residences on large, waterfront properties as they reviewed the township's official plan at a meeting last week.

The official plan is undergoing its mandated review process and that discussion was part of a three-hour conversation council had regarding the plan during a March 17 meeting.

"Where more than one dwelling exists on a property in a residential compound type situation, the existing develdwellings on the property should not be permitted," the official plan reads. "Expansion of existing buildings or structures or the addition of accessory structures should only be permitted where the intent and principles of the plan will be

Comments on that section included in the official plan review report from Bracebridge's Planscape consulting firm included that, "Consideration could be given to allowing additional habitable buildings where lots are of substantial

Mayor Carol Moffatt said there are a couple of existing, family compounds on waterfront properties in the

"There are former resorts that have a lot of buildings, there's one on Kushog and, it was a resort that had a number of cottages and a family bought the whole thing, so it's now a family compound," Moffatt said. "And so, those are existing, they're allowed because they're existing."

Moffatt was uncomfortable with the idea of a regulation that would essentially allow for the creation of new family compounds by allowing additional residential buildings on waterfront lots.

"I don't think we want to," she said.

Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen was thinking of the shortage of affordable and alternative housing in Haliburton County.

"When you look at the waiting list for people who are waiting for social housing, and waiting for five and seven, 10 years for places, people can't afford homes," Danielsen said. "We have a serious shortage of housing in the county and very little opportunity in Algonquin Highlands to deal

Moffatt, referencing the affordable housing framework from the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation, said that settlement areas, not waterfront properties, were

the location for that type of development.

"You have to remember, though, that based on all the conversations . . . a large waterfront lot, and there are very few of them that exist, is not the place to put people that need assisted housing, because transportation's attached to that, access to the grocery store is attached to that," she said. "And so while we've had a conversation with [housing corporation CEO] Hope Lee about, can we ever have the housing board do something in Algonquin Highlands . . . the problem is we're so rural."

Moffatt pointed out that affordable housing developments are typically established in areas where a sewer system, for example, already exists.

"It can be done, but it just eats up a whole bunch of your opment may be permitted, but the addition of any further costs to have to have a massive septic system in a rural environment," she said.

Even within settlement areas within Algonquin Highlands, however, Moffatt said there are challenges.

"But again, if we wanted to do something at Oxtongue Lake, there's no grocery store, so where are people going to do their shopping and banking?" she said.

Moffatt noted there are provisions that allow some secondary residences.

"How we can get around that in an area like ours, is with the garden suites and carriage houses, those accommodations have been made to allow for a little more of that and so Algonquin Highlands can still provide additional and alternative types of housing, but it's not going to be in a condo,'

A public open house on the official plan is being scheduled for July, with a public meeting where members of the public can provide input in August.

EMS calls down slightly for 2017

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Calls to Haliburton County's EMS department were down a little in 2017 from 2016 levels, a year-end report shows

Haliburton County paramedic chief Tim Waite presented that report to members of the county's EMS advisory committee during a March 14 meeting.

"Our total call volumes were fairly static for the year," Waite told councillors.

There were 6,462 in 2017, versus 6,509 in 2016, a drop of

Waite said much of the small difference was accounted for through the summer months

"Where we lost our numbers, were in the so-called good weather months, which weren't such good weather this year," The EMS base in Haliburton village continues to be the

busiest of the county's three bases, accounting for 3,744 of total calls. The Minden base received 1,578 calls, and the base in Tory Hill 1,140.

As for the most common kinds of medical problems, the most common were musculoskeletal injuries, accounting nearly 11 per cent of total calls.

"So that would be a fall, a sprain," Waite said.

Next were calls for weakness/dizziness/bring generally unwell at 10 per cent; calls for abdominal/pelvic/perineal/rectal pain at nearly seven per cent; dyspnea (trouble breathing) at about 4.5 per cent of calls; and trauma/injury calls for approximately 3.4 per cent.

As for cross-border calls, 356 calls in the county were attended by other EMS services, while Haliburton County paramedics responded to 332 calls outside the county's borders.

Regarding the most common patient ages, the most calls were made for those aged 80 to 89, at 536 calls. Those aged 70 to 79 accounted for 493 calls; 469 for those aged 60 to 69; 246 for those aged 50 to 59; and 217 calls for those aged 90

Haliburton County paramedics exceeded predicted response time standards for the year.





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Winners of this year's Haliburton Highlands Chamber of **Commerce Business** and Community **Achievement Awards** gathered following the gala at Pinestone on Saturday evening for a group photo. / MARK ROBINSON, Baristography

Campbell takes home Highlander of the Year award

by JENN WATT Editor

Andy Campbell was first hired by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce on a three-month contract. asked to work with the federal government to find ways to support local business.

From his efforts back in 1985 came of commerce's Business and Community the Haliburton County Development Corporation, where Campbell has worked ever since.

Set for retirement after 32 years at the helm of HCDC, which provides loans and grants to support the economy, Haliburton's "go-to person" was honoured as Highlander of the Year at the chamber

Achievement Awards at Pinestone Resort on Saturday, March 17.

"His dedication and hard work will long be remembered by those who served on his board, his staff, but most assuredly by hundreds of entrepreneurs who brought their dreams to Andy at HCDC and saw them become a reality," said MC Mike Jaycock, reading a note from the judges who decided the award.

Campbell said the award was a full-circle moment for him.

"It was the chamber of commerce back in 1985 that hired me on a three-month contract to put together a proposal to the federal government to try to create a program that would help business in Haliburton County. I'm very grateful that the chamber of commerce hired me to do that and here we are 33 years later you're presenting me with this award," he said.

The HCDC executive director was met with a standing ovation.

HCDC, which is a Community Futures Development Corporation, has had more than 100 local residents on its board over its history, and a small, dedicated staff. At its annual general meeting last fall, the corporation reported \$76 million in loans had been disbursed over its 32-year history with the average loan amount of just more than \$38,000.

The evening honoured many community and business leaders for their innovation, creativity, success and impact.

McKecks Tap and Grill took home the Business Achievement Award, recognizing industry and community achievement.

"From the Blueline bursary to the annual Benevolent Christmas Day dinner and financial donations to many community partners, McKecks is outstanding in the local hospitality scene," the judges wrote in their decision. McKecks, located on Highland Street in Haliburton, employs 20 people year-round and 60 in the summer.

The Customer First - Business Award celebrating the business that provided service with care and compassion, going above expectations, went to Master's Book Store in Haliburton.

Owner Kathy Stouffer "takes it as a personal challenge to fit her customers with the material they're looking for [and] takes

the time to suggest other books/authors they might enjoy," the judges wrote, calling Master's staff "wonderful ambassadors" for the Highlands.

Customer First - Employee Award was given to Cathy Mack of Sassy Digs in

The award celebrates employees who go above and beyond to assist customers.

"Cathy handles Sassy Digs like she owns it, which is a rare trait for employers to find," the judges said.

Entrepreneur of the Year honours the person who takes risks and tries new things to achieve success. This year's winner was Chris Carl and Terri Mathews-Carl of Rhubarb restaurant, Boshkung Brewing Co. and Mathew Madlyn.

Judges noted Carl and Mathews-Carl had achieved great success in the community. Their expansion of Boshkung Brewing to include Boshkung Social in Minden, their plans for another brewhouse and the recent launch of the anti-bullying/pro-kindness clothing line Mathew Madlyn impressed the judges.

"The contributions Terri and Chris have collectively made in the Haliburton Highlands and beyond is immeasurable,' judges said in their decision.

Abbey Gardens was this year's winner in the Innovation and Creativity category.

"Abbey Gardens had a dream to transform a gravel pit into a green space providing economic and recreational opportunities for Haliburton County," the judges wrote. Each year, the facility outside of West Guilford on Highway 118 expands with new offerings and projects, demonstrating sustainable building, methods of growing food, business development and education.

Judges called Abbey Gardens "a Mecca for county residents."

This year's New Business Award was given to Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind, based in Minden. New businesses are defined as those in operation between one to three years or that have redefined themselves to fit the needs of the community.

Clothes Encounters, a thrift clothing store, was noted for how it gives back and its flexibility in helping those in need of







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Entrepreneurial engine

CHAD INGRAM

Reporter

URING THE weekend, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce honoured members of the local business community during its annual achievement awards gala at the Pinestone.

Congratulations to all the nominees and winners, and to this year's Highlander of the Year, outgoing Haliburton County Development Corporation executive director Andy Campbell, who is soon to retire

and who, during his more than three decades with HCDC, helped get many local businesses up and running.

Entrepreneurs are the engine of the county's economy. Large numbers of people are employed by its small business owners,

by those willing to take a risk. Entrepreneurship anywhere is laden with risk, but even more so in a small community with a still largely seasonal economy. While the community has its share of successful business stories, there are also many small businesses and shops that just get by, that just manage to keep the lights on year after year.

In the age of the internet, local retailers also face fierce competition from online entities that are often able to offer a wider choice of product, often with a reduced price tag.

So, during this slow time of year in the county, as we inch our way toward the boom of the summer season, let's all remember to vote with our feet and darken the doorways of local businesses.
What's good for them is good for all of us.

Goodbye, Maureen

Just a few weeks ago, I wrote about the loss of the laughterloving Lorraine MacNeil and recalled the first time I ever met her and her pal Maureen James, known together then as comedy duo Lo and Mo.

Tragically, just two weeks after Lorraine, in an utterly

heartbreaking turn of events, Maureen also passed away.

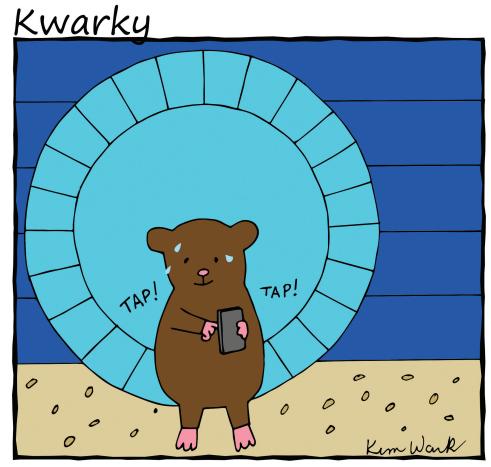
Maureen had a lightning-quick, acerbic wit and an ability to see humour in everything. She was hilarious. A veteran of Second City, in her life in Haliburton County, Maureen was

part of a number of productions of the Highlands Summer Festival, including a side-splitting performance as Reverend Mother Mary Regina in the play *Nunsense* during the festival's 2013 season. She should have been charged with theft, because she stole the show.

Community-minded, Maureen was a volunteer with community radio station Canoe FM, and also with Hyland Crest's adult day program, as well as the local hospice.

It is heartbreaking that she and Lorraine are both gone, so soon, and within such a short time of one another. I hope they are laughing somewhere together.

Deepest condolences to Maureen's family and friends.



Social media break at spin class.

Fly talk

RECENTLY, I arrived at the startling realization that no one outside of the fly fishing community gets excited about fishing flies. Difficult to comprehend, I know.

I have long suspected this. Subtle clues over the years, such as people avoiding eye contact with me or sprinting off as soon as I picked up a goose feather at the park, sort of hinted this was the case. But it was only after I actually asked specific questions to complete strangers that this was confirmed for me.

I know what fly anglers who read this column are saying: "How can anyone not want to

talk at length about the sheer genius of an egg-sucking leech fly pattern?"

I see your point. I mean, the egg sucking leech is actually two patterns in one. There is the leech component, which is effective by itself. Then, as if that isn't enough, there is also the egg component, which imitates a fish egg that the leech is sucking upon. Put these things together and you have an egg-

sucking leech. You'd think these fun facts would be a boon to any conversation.

Apparently, they're not.

Even when you introduce a fly into the conversation in a smooth and casual way, such as "You know your dress is the exact same colour as a bloodworm pattern I tied last night..." people seem to find reasons to walk away – often in a huff.

Yet – and this is the important part – you shouldn't let this stop you from trying. Just be forewarned.

As mentioned earlier, my survey regarding fishing flies determined that people are not at all interested in them. In fact, the results might startle you.

My initial question was straightforward and to the point: "You wouldn't believe the number of flies I have at my house; would you like to come over to see them?"

Strangely, the answer, even among those who professed to love fishing, was a resounding "No!"

I know what you are thinking. My methodology was all wrong.

I seriously considered this and also concluded that, had I asked the question a little differently, the results might have been altered.

So, the next time I asked, "Do you think it is strange for a grown man to keep 40 or so boxes filled to the brim with flies?"

Again, the response was not what I would call positive.

These surveys have led me to conclude that we, as fly anglers and fly tyers, have a bit of a public relations crisis on our hands. Lord knows why.

I do have a theory or two, however.

First off, fly fishing has long been known as the quiet sport – mostly due to the fact that we never want to talk about our honey holes or the fact that we spent three of four hours on the

river wrapped in fly line or tangled in trees and the remaining hour casting unsuccessfully to rising trout that are only interested in the one fly we do not have in our box.

Both of these things are understandable. After all, if you let someone know your best fishing spot, it doesn't remain that way for long. And the second one is just plain unbelievable – a whole hour? Yeah right.

If we are to win this public relations battle, we need to do two things. First, we should always remember there is an "1" in public, especially when it is in the subject line of an email. Second, we should let people know that fly fishing and fly tying are among the fastest growing angling pastimes.

Basically, when it comes to our flies, we just need to let people know that they have been creating quite a buzz lately.



STEVE GALEA *Beyond 35*

INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Ontario's debt crisis

N ALL THE recent dark and depressing news about governments, and the people who run them, comes a pinprick of light. Small and distant like a far away star in the night sky, but enough to give hope that common sense has not been completely extinguished.

The twinkle of light comes from Quebec where the provincial government has grasped the self-evident truth that borrowed money is an anchor that can sink the ship if not managed cautiously.

Quebec will announce next week that it will pay \$10 billion over the next five years against its provincial debt. It will be the most substantial debt repayment the province has made in more than 50 years and will save taxpayers \$1 billion in interest payments over five years.

Imagine that, a government paying down debt instead of leaving it for next

generations to pay.



JIM POLING SR. From Shaman's Rock

Quebec has been squirrelling away money into a Generations Fund to get larger investment returns than it was paying in debt interest. The money going into the fund was obtained from a series of budget

In case anyone in Ontario has forgotten, budget surpluses are created when you manage financial affairs wisely and spend less than you had budgeted.

Almost all Canadian governments, federal, provincial and local, have ratcheted up their debt loads in the last 10 years. Quebec is one of the most indebted, but at least it is confronting the problem.

The extent of Canada's overall debt problem was outlined by a 2016 Fraser Institute report. It found that combined federal-provincial debt of \$834 billion in 2007/2008 increased to a projected \$1.3 trillion in 2015/2016. That's 64.8 per cent of the economy or \$35,827 per Canadian.

Interest payments on collective government debt in 2014/2015 totalled an astounding \$60.8 billion or 8.1 per cent of total government revenue that year.

How big is that? It is almost as much as spending on primary and secondary education (\$62.2 billion in 2012/2013) and more than Canada and Quebec Pension Plan benefit payouts (\$50.9 billion).

While Quebec attempts to deal with its debt, Ontario continues to hurtle toward a debt catastrophe. Many of us won't be around to feel the pain but millennials will.

Ontario's debt has almost tripled in the last 15 years. It was \$110 billion when the Progressive Conservative government presented its last budget in 2003. It is projected to be \$312 billion this year and \$336 billion in 2019-2020.

Ontario's debt problem lies not just in the number of dollars it owes. Its changing population is a major negative factor.

Within the next 12 years, the province's working age population is expected to fall to 60 per cent of the general population. That number was 68 per cent in

Also the number of Ontario seniors is expected to grow to five million by 2050, twice the current number.

Fewer working people means smaller government revenues, and more older people means increased spending demand for health care and other senior

On top of that, Ontario's economic growth is projected to average only two per cent over the next 30 years, lower than the 2.5 per cent seen over the past

Ontario's political leaders have three choices: increase revenues (raise taxes and service fees), cut spending (provide less government service) or continue to let the debt grow even larger.

Most of us face the same three options in our personal lives. However, letting debt grow is not really an option for us because creditors will step in and shut us down. Goodbye big screen TV, goodbye car, goodbye the roof over your

Ontario's debt crisis will not be solved under our current political system in which the goal is to put a party in power and keep it there no matter what the costs or consequences.

Difficult decisions that will affect all citizens are required to deal with the lebt crisis. Decisions made in current hyper-partisan atmosphere never can be successful.

We need a sincere, fully bipartisan approach to getting out of our debt mess. That means electing people willing to work outside partisan political thinking to find the best solutions.

With the June Ontario election campaign underway we need to be talking about this.

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letters to the editor

Embrace evening meetings

To the Editor.

It wasn't much more than a generation ago that the council of the old Township of Anson, Hindon and Minden routinely sat down together after dinner to hold its meetings

Now, in 2018, township councils across Central Ontario keep office hours. There may be vacancies to be filled in this fall's elections, but folks with daytime jobs need not apply.

Here and there, a councillor suggests that better pay would bring the best the community has to offer out of the woodwork to seek election. The truth is, that wouldn't make much difference. Folks who have to make a living from their trade or profession can't take two days a month away from their regular jobs to attend daytime council meetings.

The result is that elected office in what should be the most democratic level of government is pretty much restricted to the retired and the self-employed.

Not that there is anything wrong with the wisdom of our elders (my contemporaries, actually), but it is working folk in the prime of life who have the largest stake in their community's future.

A ratepayer with a job, a mortgage and a family has a much different view of what needs to be done to make things better in the long term, a much different understanding of the long-term challenges the community faces.

As for the rest of we bystanders, a ratepaver should not have to take a day off work to attend a council meeting, to bring his concerns to the folks he helped elect, or simply to watch and understand how his township is being governed.

I've been told that evening meetings would be an imposition on the public servants who must deliver reports to those council meetings, but they are, after all, servants of the public. There are plenty of ways they could be given time off as compensation for those evening shifts – one Friday a month, for

One of the problems of governments at all levels is that the status quo suits the incumbents or they wouldn't be there. It may not be apparent to them when things need fixing.

Before campaigning for next fall's election begins, Minden Hills incumbents should look for ways to open the doors to elected office to everybody.

Evening meetings would be a beginning.

Neil Campbell

Life is not a straight line

BELIEVE THE greatest weakness I see in clients is the inability to physically change directions quickly. It's like there is a point in life where we stop running in a free and easy way. I'm trying to figure out not only when it happens, but why.

Perhaps the "why" lies in the fact that when we're all grown up our behaviour has to be all grown up. Along the way, our definition of "fun" changes. We're not supposed to run around the park like crazy unless we have cleats on and we're chasing some kind of ball. Even that stops being fun if you happen to be really competitive (been there,

That in of itself is sad, but even more concerning is that when we stop moving in a specific way our muscles and nerves stop working in that area. We get weaker. Then it hurts to move. Then we move less. Then sedentary lifestyle diseases sneak in. It's a downward spiral. I'm sorry for sounding bleak, but the truth

I wish I could run around a park like I did when I was 12 years old. At my age (I do have grey hair) I can run for a couple of kilometres. I can get on my bike and ride for hours. While that is great for my cardiovascular health it does next to nothing to improve or maintain my ability to change directions quickly. If I choose not to think about that I would be left with a false sense of security believing that I am stronger than I am. The reality hits hard when I slip on the ice and I have no way to save myself from falling.

Bringing multi-directional movements into our lives is the only way to round out our fitness. Fortunately, I have a Great Dane who

will decide she's going in an opposite direction from the one I am heading. This is definitely a strengthening exercise for multidirectional fitness. It's not great dog behaviour but that's a completely different discussion.

If you don't have a misbehaving 100+ lb. dog at your disposal there are lots of other ways of keeping yourself strong. Lunging in various directions is a great way. Try

doing forward, backward, and side lunges. Work with a partner where one person calls out which way to go and the other moves. This adds the reflex response to the equation.

Dancing is another great way to improve multi-directional strength. If you're shy put on your favourite music and sashay around your living room. If you're up for a more of a challenge, take a dance class.

There is always heading to the park. Take your kid with you. If you don't have your own kid, see if you can borrow one. Take a soccer ball to kick around and be 12 years old again.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal trainer and spinning instructor. She is one of the founders of The Point for Fitness: www.thepointforfitness.com.

Soaring harmonies

The O'Pears are a Toronto-based contemporary folk trio who weave stories that stir the spirit and capture the timeless character of folk music. Evoking the profound intimacy and the dynamic harmony of acts like Crosby, Stills, and Nash, the band's three songwriters, Lydia Persaud, Jill Harris and Meg Contini can turn any venue into a warm house concert with their endearing, unabashed personalities balancing the intimate sincerity of their songs.

The O'Pears continue to bring a strong, honest voice to the modern female perspective. The Haliburton County Folk Society is delighted to be presenting The O'Pears on Saturday, April 7, at the Minden United Church. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are available at Organic Times in Minden, The Source in Haliburton and at www.haliburtonfolk.com. Their special guests are Tomorrow Never Knows. Seating is limited.



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Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents took home the Not-For-Profit of the Year award Saturday night for its outstanding programs and services.

"When it was identified in 2017 that some of our youth were in crisis they responded with a series of ... public forums and are working with partners to expand a youth hub in Haliburton," the judges wrote.

Point in Time provides mental health services, youth justice and family support to Haliburton County families.

The Skilled Trades and Industry Award was given to Arbor View Tree Care, which offers tree removal and assessment services by certified arborists.

"[Owner] Josh Burk and his team recognize benefits of trees to the environment and the beauty of the Haliburton Highlands," the judges said of Arbor View.

Yours Outdoors, an experiential tourism company, was given the Tourism and Hospitality Award.

Partnering with dozens of businesses and individuals to create tourism packages and learning experiences, Yours Outdoors served some 1,200 travellers and local participants, the judges said.

Yours Outdoors and its proprietor Barrie Martin were also involved in the organizing of Hike Haliburton, the Hardwater Festival, Telling Our Stories speaker series, and in organizing the Sip, Swill and Savour brewery tour.

Young Professional of the Year, for those under 35, was awarded to Morgan Burke of The Birds and the Bees, a new company offering honey and beauty products.

Birds and the Bees uses honey and beeswax she harvests from her beehive to create her own line of natural beauty products that she sells at local markets," the judges

Morgan, who is a high school student, was called an inspiration to a new generation of young entrepreneurs by the judges.

The Warden's Award, selected by the Haliburton County warden each year, was given to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

Warden Suzanne Partridge told the audience how she came to her decision: "Their activities and projects to preserve habitat and wildlife will make a lasting impact for future generations."

Partridge noted the land trust volunteers have given thousands of hours of time to bettering the natural world.



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MINOR HOCKEY

Midgets lead OMHA final series 2-0

An awesome start for the Smolen Family Dentistry and Highlander Highland Storm Midget team winning both games this weekend in the Ontario finals.

It began in Haliburton, March 17 and the Highland Storm Midgets rocked the Dunnville Mudcats 6-3.

The next day, the Midgets travelled to Dunnville for Game 2 of the finals and brought home a 2-0 shutout win. This gave the Storm an exciting 4-0 lead in points.

The third year, first line steered by team captain Owen Patterson-Smith tremendously rose to the challenge and constantly shook the Mudcats in Game 1. Patterson-Smith nabbed a hat-trick and two assists, along with Owen Smith and Boice with a goal and an assist each.

The Midgets took the first period to warm up and entertain the packed Haliburton arena. It was a tight start with lots of back and forth, extremely aggressive action.

The adrenaline increased and the scoring began in the second period when the Storm took a 2-0 lead. The Mudcats closed the gap to 2-1 with a power play goal, ending the

Early in the third period, Jacob Haedicke fed Patterson-Smith, and he easily slipped it in for the Storm's third goal.

The Mudcats got lucky and surprised the Storm with a short-handed goal, making it a 3-2 game. It was time ... the Storm turned up the heat with two quick goals.

The magic trio patiently played around the net, Boice found the right time to make it a 4-2 game. Shortly after, Lucas Haedicke dangled in by the net, made a quick pass to Gilbert, who sniped it in. Later in the third, the Mudcats pulled their goalie during a power play and made it 5-3.

Both teams continued to push, Smolen was outstanding in net and made countless saves for the Storm. Patterson-Smith got his hat-trick and finished things off with an open-netter.

A well-earned 6-3 win for the Storm Midget team.

The next day, March 18, the Midgets travelled to Dunnville for Game 2.

It was an exciting, fast-paced start with a scoreless first period. The action picked up in the second period with both teams working hard to score. Late in the period, it was the Storm's magic trio that worked the puck around the net, give and go action from Patterson-Smith and Owen Smith found Boice and his keen eye saw the opening for the first goal.

The end-to-end battle continued well into the third period. With a minute left, it was time to pull the goalie, Mudcats hoping for a tie. Patterson-Smith intercepted the puck, made it toward the empty net and successfully secured the win, with a goal. A tremendous effort by the entire Storm team, Smolen stood strong in net earning a shut-out and they returned home with a 2-0 win and lead in the series.

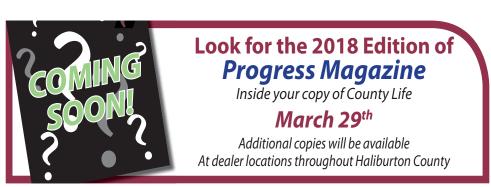
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Players tussle against the boards during Game 1 of the OMHA Midget finals between the Highland Storm and the Dunnville Mudcats in Haliburton on March 17. The Storm won the game 6-3. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



The goalie for the Dunnville Mudcats keeps his eyes on the action.







Haliburton Highlands CHAMBER of COMMERCE

Business Achievement

Sponsored by: K. Brewer Financial Services

Nominees

- Above Board Carpentry
- Bark Lake Leadership & Conference Centre
- Carole Finn Artist Centre
- Cordell Carpet
- Country Magic
- Jeff & Andrea Strano,

RE/MAX North Country Realty Inc. Brokerage

- McKecks Tap & Grill
- Minden Subaru
- Parker Pad & Printing
- Shoppers Drug Mart Haliburton
- Smiling Seasons
- The Birds and the Bees
- Wind in the Willows Spa

And The Winner Is: **McKecks Tap & Grill**



BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT - McKecks Tap & Grill / MARK ROBINSON

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- Jeff & Andrea Strano, RE/MAX North Country Realty Inc. Brokerage
- Master's Bookstore
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- Minden Animal Hospital
- Nuwa Therapeutics
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- Troy Optical
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- Water Depot
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And The Winner Is: Master's Book Store



CUSTOMER FIRST - BUSINESS - Master's Book Store/ MARK ROBINSON

Customer First – Employee

Sponsored by: Walkers Home Hardware

Nominees

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- Cathy Mack (Sassy Digs)
- Dee Wruth

(Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association)

- Don Schlosser (Minden Home Hardware)
- Jaklin Johnston (Up River Trading Co.)
- Kevin Sicard

(JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports)

- Laurie Mackie (Organic Times)
- Susan Nicholson

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And The Winner Is: **Cathy Mack (Sassy Digs)**



CUSTOMER FIRST-EMPLOYEE - Cathy Mack (Sassy Digs) / MARK ROBINSON

Entrepreneur of the Year

Sponsored by: Patient News

Nominees

- Carole Finn (Carole Finn Artist Centre)
- Chris Carl & Terri Mathews-Carl (Rhubarb Restaurant & Boshkung Brewing Co.)
- Claire Duncombe (Highland Dog Grooming & Training)
- Meghan Reid (Just Movement Fitness)
- Jamie and Ben Guenther (Smiling Seasons)
- Morgan Burke (The Birds and the Bees)
- Toni Cooper (Lady Archers of Ontario)

And The Winner Is: Chris Carl & Terri Mathews- Carl



ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR - Chris Carl & Terri Mathews-Carl / MARK ROBINSON

Not-for-Profit of the Year

Sponsored by: BMO

Nominees

- Abbev Gardens
- Central Food Network
- Haliburton County Farmers' **Market Association**
- Haliburton County Red Wolves
- Haliburton Highlands Land Trust
- Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association
- Places for People
- Pregnancy Care and Family Support Centre
- Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary

And The Winner Is: Point in Time



NOT-FOR-PROFIT OF THE YEAR - Point in Time / MARK ROBINSON

The Warden's Award is Awarded to: **Haliburton Highlands Land Trust**



THE WARDEN'S AWARD -**Highlands Land Trust** / MARK ROBINSON

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Nominees

- Abbey Gardens
- Carole Finn Artist Centre
- Greg Brown Construction
- Haliburton Forest Biochar
- Positive Media Productions
- The Birds and the Bees

And The Winner Is: **Abbey Gardens**



INNOVATION & CREATIVITY - Abbey Gardens / MARK ROBINSON

Tourism & Hospitality

Sponsored by: My Haliburton Highlands & OHTO

Nominees

- Bruce Ballentine
- Canadian National Pond Hockey
- Haliburton Highlands Brewing
- La Luna Del Nordo
- Winterdance Dogsled Tours
- Yours Outdoors

And The Winner Is: Yours Outdoors



TOURISM & HOSPITALITY **Yours Outdoors** /MARK ROBINSON

New Business

Sponsored by: Trophy Property Corp

Nominees

- Above Board Carpentry
- Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind
- Graham's Farm Market
- Grow Optimism Consultants
- Highland Dog Grooming & Training
- HR Access
- K. Brewer Financial Services
- Mind Your Inn
- The Birds and the Bees

And The Winner Is: Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind



NEW **BUSINESS** - Clothes **Encounters** of the Thrift Kind / MARK **ROBINSON**

Highlander of the Year

Sponsored by: Lakeview Motel/Resort

Nominees

- · Andy Campbell
- Jeff & Andrea Strano
- Judy MacDuff
- Michael Clewlow
- Wayne Hooks

And The Winner Is: Andy Campbell



HIGHLANDER OF THE YEAR-**Andy Campbell** /MARK **ROBINSON**

Skilled Trades & Industry

Sponsored by: Minden Subaru

Nominees

- Above Board Carpentry
- Arbor View Tree Care
- Madill Plumbing
- Mark Thompson Construction
- Nash Farrier Services

And The Winner Is: **Arbor View Tree Care**



SKILLED TRADES & INDUSTRY-Arbor View Tree Care /MARK **ROBINSON**

Young Professional of the Year

Sponsored by: BDC

Nominees

- Amanda Robinson
- Carleigh Warburton
- Emily Stonehouse
- Jamie Morton • Jesse Frybort
- Katie Golec
- · Maria Patterson
- Melissa Tong
- Morgan Burke
- Ryan Emmerson

And The Winner Is: Morgan Burke



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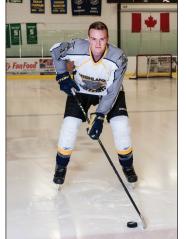






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Website collects stories of Highlands' past

by JENN WATT Editor

Carol Moffatt wants to flesh out the past of Algonquin Highlands. Behind the photographs, birth and death announcements are the details that bring the past to life and that's what the long-time history buff hopes comes of the new online heritage map and family tree project.

"We can look up records and we can look up newspaper articles and we can see the tangible pieces of history in photographs or council records," said Moffatt. "We want to build the personalities around the paper. That's why the conversations are so important."

In the basement of the Stanhope library branch March 7, a group came together for Bring An Ancestor Day, armed with photographs, maps and stories that will be fed into Algonquin Highlands' new websites.

Mabel Brannigan, 94, had a Ziploc bag filled with photos from her childhood to be



We want to build the personalities around the paper. That's why the conversations are so important.

— CAROL MOFFATT



a volunteer, information was recorded, which community. could provide the kind of details Moffatt said are so important.

The websites are being built in a similar fashion to the Highlands East settler project, using the same company and co-ordinated by Adele Espina.

The Algonquin Highlands project, which began in May of last year, is funded through a \$25,000 New Horizons for Seniors grant. Espina's work officially wraps up at the end of this month, but she will continue work on

The expectation is that the websites will grow continually with new artifacts, photographs and stories added whenever they're found. The structure allows visitors to the website to either browse an interactive map or search for specific people or places. A wide range of media can be incorporated, including audio or video.

"Like the Highlands East project, we're hoping the community will get on board. We're starting [with] the settlers. It will keep snowballing and growing," Moffatt said.

There are parameters to who is included.

"Anybody born in 1921 or earlier, their information is already a matter of public record," explained Espina. "They can be on the family tree. Anybody who's passed away can be on the family tree. We don't put living people on either the family tree website or the heritage map website.'

The website will include the names of settlers' parents, but will not document further back than that, since tracking each family tree beyond country of origin could become unwieldy. They also will not be track-

scanned and processed. As she chatted with ing families after they move away from the Algonquin Highlands.

However, Moffatt and Espina noted that there are likely many people who live far from the Highlands who have snippets of information about ancestors that could be of use.

photographs, for example, people would send their photographs, photographs of their family to faraway relatives. So we may discover some photographs of our settlers are with descendants of a nephew or something in one of the American states," Espina said. "We've got photographs in our collection from people whose families ... left in the 1880s and sent photographs back. Those are the kind of things we're going to put online so people from away can see.'

For those who do not have high-speed internet access or who are not comfortable with sending information online, volunteers can assist in capturing stories for the websites.

"Contact us through the website and Adele and the group will arrange for someone to go and interview them. We'll get your information. We'll happily help preserve your family's history for posterity," said Moffatt.

The website is already populated with settlers' stories and photographs of people and places, particularly in the Stanhope region of

For example, a particularly colourful writeup is included with the entry for James Guinn, who emigrated to Canada from Ireland in

"Famous peddler and salesman Reuben 'old "What would happen 100 years ago is with sweet lips' Haight told the story that there was a steep hill that plagued travellers on



Two driving forces behind the new heritage website are Adele Espina, left, and Carol Moffatt. Moffatt brought a few books filled with postcards depicting Algonquin Highlands' past. /JENN WATT Staff



Early bird draw doles out \$500

HHHS Foundation chairman Peter Oyler reads the name of the \$500 early bird draw winner in the Cash for Care lottery benefiting health care in the Highlands. Jeff Gollob was the winner of the draw March 16. The next draw is April 30 for \$1,000. On May 31 three final draws will determine who takes home \$20,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000. Tickets are available by calling 705-457-1580. More details are available at hhhs.ca/lottery. /JENN WATT Staff



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Creating county-wide website a dream project

from page 16

the township road near Guinn's house," the passage reads. "To bypass it, the Stanhope Council, headed by Reeve Joseph Beatty, made a deal for the right of way to cross Guinn's property for \$25. Jim then removed his fence and waited for payment; when none came the fence went back up. Guinn said that Reeve Joseph 'Old Curmudgeon' Beatty, Councillor William 'Wormy' Cooper and Councillor 'Limpy' Mason could climb the hill. Shortly thereafter Jim received his \$25 and the fence was taken down. (Source: Shirley Warder as told to Joyce Gibson)."

And there's plenty more like it.

Moffatt said part of the thrill of genealogy is creating a more fulsome picture of who people were and what their lives entailed.

"One of the most interesting things that I ever learned ... is that [early settler] Thomas Mason kept chickens as pets," she said. "I read it in something and then suddenly all the photographs we had ... with him sitting in chairs with chickens in his lap made sense."

Using the same software to put together the Algonquin Highlands information as that of Highlands East means if the municipalities

desire at a later date, the websites could be combined into one. "I think our pie in the sky hope would be that Minden Hills and Dysart would apply for this funding next and next. And then wouldn't it be great to have a map of Haliburton County that had this number of pins on it and all this incredible information," Moffatt said.

To check out the family tree and heritage map websites, go to https://heritagemapsalgonquin.com (for the map) or https://algonquinhighlands.ca/genealogy/ (for the family



We may discover some photographs of our settlers are with descendants of a nephew or something in one of the American states.

— ADELE ESPINA





Mabel Brannigan (nee Sawyer), 94, brought in photos and information about the area's past. This photo is from S.S. No. 2 Stanhope at the head of Maple Lake. It was taken either in 1934 or 1935. Brannigan is in the photo in the back row, fourth from left. /JENN WATT Staff

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Redesigned website powered by user-generated content

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The county's redesigned tourism website will include more user-generated content, as well as integrate the stories of tourism stakeholders in the Haliburton Highlands.

Tourism director Amanda Virtanen updated members of the county's tourism advisory committee on plans for the www.myhaliburtonhighlands.com website, which is undergoing a reconstruction by local marketing company Positive Media, during a March 14 meeting.

The county will use online software CrowdRiff to amass a collection of user-generated imagery for use on the site.

"The way I was planning on doing that was just looking through all our social media channels annually, and finding the best of the content, which, frankly, would take hours to do and have to contact people for rights and all that," Virtanen told committee members. "Basically, CrowdRiff does that for us."

As Virtanen explained, the software gathers images that have been marked with area hashtags – #MyHaliburtonHighlands, #Minden, #Haliburton, etc. – and makes them available for perusal.

"We can go through and pick what we want," Virtanen said, adding that specific parameters can be set

For example, locally shot photographs featuring snowmobiles could be chosen, with the software then auto-generating those images.

"You can have galleries, where you pick the

best of," Virtanen said.

In just the three days leading up to the meeting, some 61,000 assets relating to the Haliburton Highlands had been shared.

She added there are some professional photographers who regularly tag the area on social media. She said while sharing on visual and social media sites would not require permissions, "print is different." If the county wanted to use images in its print materials, those photographers could be approached and a fee negotiated.

Virtanen said the software has also been useful in identifying potential powerful promoters of the area. One cottager, she noted, has a social media following of nearly 6,000 people, and regularly tweets and posts about the Haliburton Highlands.

"This is someone we can then connect with and say, we'd love you to be an ambassador for our region," she said.

Committee member Sally Moore wondered how stakeholders could ensure their social media content was making it into the mix.

Virtanen said by using the #MyHaliburtonHighlands hashtag, but also said that in most cases, their content would already be included. The software also uses smart location technology, meaning that even without hashtag identifiers, it can tell where images are being generated.

"It will pick up through your Instagram that you are in Highlands East, and it will show up on our feed," Virtanen said.

Committee members seemed pleased by the concept, if not a little taken aback by the power of the technology.

"This is so scary," said Highlands East

Deputy Mayor and County Warden Suzanne Partridge.

"We've been looking for the needle in the haystack, now we just got the whole haystack, and we can pick and choose," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt wanted it to be clear to stakeholders that a certain type and quality of imagery, highlighting "the spectacular nature of what makes Haliburton what it is," is what the county was after

""Somebody could be a stakeholder who only posts pictures of daffodils in their garden, and we don't need that, that's not what we're looking for, so there has to be a respectful understanding that it's not a giant party for everyone, it's actually a very specific marketing mechanism and we need to be very specific," Moffatt said.

The licensing fee for use of the software is approximately \$500 per month.

Another feature of the redesigned website will be stories from tourism stakeholders, along with the inclusion of Google listings.

Google listings are online business profiles with ratings, directions, hours, photos, etc., which are created and maintained by business owners themselves. An interactive map on the website will allow users to access businesses' Google listings by clicking on icons.

"In working with Positive Media, they basically put together a recommendation that they feel that the Google listings are the best way to go in terms of a directory of services," Virtanen told committee members.

The site will contain four pages – pages for adventure, arts and culture, food, and accommodations – and each of those pages will feature three stories per month, for a total of 144 opportunities per year for local tourism busi-

nesses to promote themselves throughout the year.

Virtanen said there are at least 240 businesses in the county that fall into these categories.

"So a lot of folks would have the opportunity,

if they wanted it, to be featured," Virtanen said. Virtanen is looking for stories, not business descriptions, for the site.

"We want to know those unique stories, like we want to know about the time a group from Germany came, and had a blast and what did they do, and we really want to dig down and find those good stories," she said.

Photographs would accompany those stories. Moffatt wondered about business owners who may not have the means to produce that kind of content, and if they would be looking to the county to create it.

"I think the tourism department is fine to help them edit some of that content, because we would want it to read a certain way, but we would really want them to supply us with the stories," Virtanen said.

She added that Positive Media has indicated it could help local businesses craft online content for a reasonable fee.

"And then, what would happen, is below those stories, would be the Google listings map with a legend that shows resorts, hotels, restaurants . . . all of the icons haven't been finalized yet," Virtanen said.

The county will offer training on Google listings for business owners.

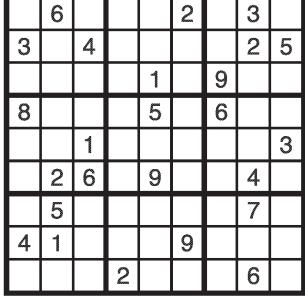
"There would be training sessions for people who don't have a listing to get their listing up and running, but there would also be sessions for people to improve their Google listing," Virtanen said.

It is expected the new site will launch in or before the summer.

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Answers on page 24



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE

The 22nd Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) will be held on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the HHHS Minden Hospital / Hyland Crest.

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Council backs stricter controls

Minden pedestrians may soon have the sidewalks to

At their meeting last Thursday, Anson, Hindon and Minden Council decided to strengthen the municipal bylaw restricting snowmobiles from village sidewalks.

For years, snowmobilers have been entering Minden to cross the Gull River on the Main Street bridge and to buy gas at the Texaco Station on South Water Street. But recently, council heard, they have become a nuisance and a hazard to village residents by riding on the sidewalks instead of the

"When the snowmobiles hit that sidewalk outside my business, it's like a gun going off," Gord Monk, owner of the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, told council.

Monk, along with Haliburton County Snowmobile Association president Leroy Lichty, had been invited to the meeting to discuss the snowmobile problem.

Monk said that signs he had placed outside his doors directing snowmobilers not to use the sidewalk were frequently ignored.

And he explained that on one occasion he had to ask a group of snowmobilers not to leave their machines in his parking lot because a funeral was going on. "They took their snowmobiles out front with the engines going," he said. "When I went out again and told them they were disturbing the service, one of them - a lady of about 45 - said 'so

Councillor Vern Graham described a similar incident in which a snowmobiler told him to "get out of the way" as he shovelled snow from the sidewalk in front of his

Asked for his opinion on the problem, Leroy Lichty said that though he didn't support the wrongdoers in the HCSA, he had no way of forcing members to abide by Minden bylaws.

He suggested that one solution to the problem might be to build a bridge for snowmobilers outside of

the village, enabling them to avoid the Main Street bridge.

Reeve Sinc Nesbitt said he didn't, "forsee the municiplaity having enough money to build a new bridge." Later in the meeting however, roads superintendent Clayton Cameron showed council photo-graphs of an inexpensive prefabricated bridge that would serve the purpose.

Lichty explained that snowmobilers often use the sidewalks to stay out of the way of road traffic which, he said, is a very real danger to

them.
Asked if he had tried to negotiate another route for snowmobilers into the

village that would avoid the most heavily used streets, Lichty said he hadn't. Council then suggested some alternate routes for the main HCSA trail through Minden.

Deputy-reeve Bern Berry. proposed that one solution might be for the HCSA to publish in their newsletter the Minden bylaw against snowmobiles on the sidewalks. Lichty admitted that though this had not yet been done, it could be.

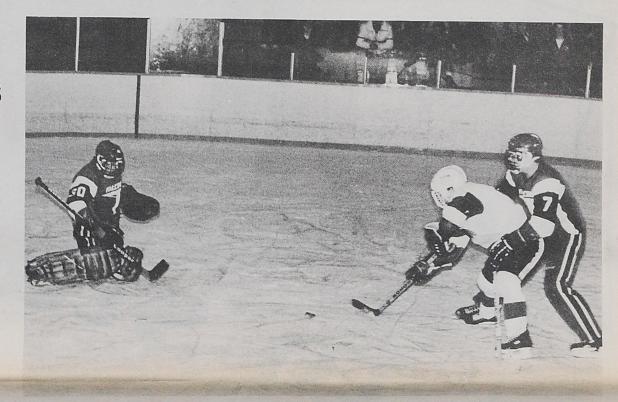
It was Berry also who suggested that the present bylaw - enacted in the 1960's be strengthened.

"If the snowmobilers aren't taking any notice of the law, then let's put some teeth into it," he said.

Corporal Steve Adam of the Minden OPP was also at the meeting. He explained that present provincial laws

regarding snowmobilers on roads are vague and difficult to enforce and even appear, at times, to be in conflict with municipal bylaws. However, he also said that a stronger bylaw could solve the problem.

One bylaw now popular among some municipalities enables residents to report the licence numbers of lawbreaking snowmobiles to the local OPP, Adam said. Confrontations don't result, he explained because the rider isn't stopped. Nevertheless, if the law has been broken, the snowmobiler can be charged.



Fenelon Falls goalie goes to his knees to protect his net as a HHSS Redman attempts to shake a Falcon defender during Friday's game at the Haliburton arena. The Redmen went on to defeat the visitors 2-1 and advanced to the All-Ontario High School championships to be played next week in North Bay.

Stanhope council hopes compromise will solve property dispute

A spring in Stanhope Township that has been used by the public for the last 70 years but owned privately could soon become public property.

Recently, Larry Vanlieshout, who owns the land on which the spring is located at the southeast end of Maple Lake, applied to sever the property. Four lots were to be created, three of about seven acres each and one large one of approximately 60 acres.

In exchange for the severance, Stanhope

Council requested that Vanlieshout deed to the township the seven-acre lot on which the spring is

At the March 11 meeting, council agreed to include in the deal, a small parcel of township land which would be deeded to Vanlieshout in exchange for the lot with the spring.

Vanlieshout agreed to consider the deal. If he accepts, the township will pass the severance. However, Vanlieshout pointed out that there could

Recently a petition was circulated by county residents protesting the severance. The authors believed apparently that the severance would result in the spring being cut off from the

Both council and Vanlieshout are adamant that this is not the case; if the severance goes through they have agreed the spring will become public property.

Vanlieshout said in an interview on Tuesday that the petition against his severance has now gone to the Ontario Municipal Board, which has called a hearing over the matter scheduled for June, 1987.

He said he has already spent a lot of money on legal fees over the severance. He's not going to pay more over his defence to the OMB, he said, and he won't protest if

But he said he's frustrated now and should the OMB decide against him in June. he'll put a fence around the spring and post the land with 'No Trespassing' signs.

ay care centre objections

The official opening isn't until March 30, but already Haliburton County's only licenced day care centre has run into problems.

At the Anson, Hindon and Minden council meeting last Thursday, Edna Trumbull, a Minen resident. protested that the CHACE centre - to be located beside her home on Prince Street will cause the value of her own property to drop.

Trumbull argued that she and other residents of the neighbourhood should have been notified by the municipality before CHACE was given permission to turn their rented house into a day care centre. She said that as a business, the centre required a change in the zoning of the property before it could be operated legally and in all cases of zoning change affected

property owners must be given the opportunity to protest.

Also at the meeting were a number of Trumbull's neighbours who objected to the planned day care centre.

"I couldn't sell my home tomorrow with a house full of 22 kids" - the maximum capacity of the centre when renovations are completed -"on my door step. Trumbull said. She added that the property on which the centre is situated abuts her own for 150 feet.

She only discovered the existence of the centre, she said, when she saw notices in local newspapers announcing the March 30 opening.

The present zoning bylaw, enacted in 1967, prohibits use of the land for anything but houses, churches.

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When: March 22, 10:30 am to 4:30 p.m.

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Celebration of Research

When: Saturday, March 24, from 1 to 4 p.m. Where: Minden Hospital Auditorium, 6 Mcpherson Street

Minden, ON Guest Speakers: Tom Phillips, Julie Davis

For more information contact: Sonja Marx at smarx@ ulinks.ca or call 705-286-2411

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Dance

When: Saturday, March 24, 5 to 9 p.m. (Dinner at 6 p.m.) Where: Haliburton Legion, Main Hall

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When: Friday, March 30

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Dam construction continues following delay

The re-construction of the Horseshoe Lake dam is continuing after a delay in the project.

"Continued challenges in maintaining a dry site within the cofferdam, combined with above average water flows and levels throughout the winter and summer of 2017 contributed to delays in the project. Parks Canada made the decision to close the existing construction contract and re-tender the remainder of the project," reads a press release from Parks Canada, which manages the Trent Severn Waterway. "Phase two of the project will continue in 2018, staged primarily from the east side of the dam as originally

According to Parks Canada, the construction will not affect water management operations heading into the spring.

"The first phase of construction has been completed at the Horseshoe Lake Dam construction site with the removal of the cofferdam," the release reads. "The west side of the dam is now brand new, with two new piers and one full sluice with a concrete deck. Pedestrian access and a visitor area have been improved, and an employee parking area has been installed for Parks Canada dam operators, that will be completed with the installation of permanent railings in the next phase.

"As a part of the next phase of construction sluices three and four will be fully replaced; more will be forthcoming in the near future regarding that work. Traditionally,



spring time operations at Horseshoe Lake Dam are conducted using two sluices. While one sluice is not available at this time, the remaining three sluices are operational and are able to provide sufficient capacity for anticipated water management activities."

The dam at Horseshoe Lake was constructed in 1909. The federal government is spending more than \$500 million on improvements to TSW infrastructure, with some \$40 million worth of dam replacements and repairs being done in Haliburton County.

EarlyON offers free drop-in

Dorset News

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It's hard to believe that summer is coming, but it'll be here before we know it. If you're a high school student or just find yourself with some spare time from June to September and would like to volunteer, visit dorsetcanada.com and fill out the volunteer form. Local groups are always looking for volunteers for various events, so your information will be passed on and you will be contacted if your help is required.

Happy birthday to Meghan Allore, Audrey Clayton, Cody Ryan, Kaleigh Schuetze, George Sargla and Judith McConkey. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



Bowling Scores

Red Wolves Bowling Scores

Casey Heley 183

Jason Cochrane 175

Andrea Austin 174

Emily Boccitto 169 Luke Shapiera 138

Alyssa Whitaker 138

Monday afternoon, March 12

High Average (cumulative)

Women - Chris Cote - 199 Men – Claude Cote – 204

This Week's Highs – Women

High Single - Chris Cote - 234

High Triple – Chris Cote – 549 High Single Hcp – Chris Cote – 255

High Triple Hcp - June Beadle – 661

This Weeks Highs - Men

High Single – Robert Terro -284

High Triple – Robert Terro – 721

High Single Hcp – Robert Terro – 324 High Triple Hcp – Robert Terro – 841

Tuesday Afternoon Bowling Scores March 13

High Average Claude Cote 221

High Single Bill Fry 249

High Single H/C Bill Fry 304

High Triple Ken Thompson 643 High Triple H/C Bruce Lampman 721

Women

High Average Chris Cote 199

High Single Chris Cote 193

High Single H/C Ann Tipton 264 High Triple Chris Cote 540

High Triple H/C Olga Mark 701

Fast Lane Bowling Scores for Friday, March 16

High average Ren Higgins 171

High single Ren Higgins 183

High triple Ren Higgins 515

High single hcp Netty Alexander 245

High triple hcp Netty Alexander 681

Men

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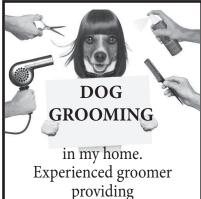
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Canada Post is inviting tenders for Grounds Keeping to start May 1, 2018 at the Kinmount Post Office.

Specifications may be picked up at the Post Office located at 4078 County Rd. 121.

> Ouotes must be received by March 30, 2018 by 5:30 pm



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> The following seasonal and permanent positions are now available:

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Cleaning Services

Onondaga Camp, Minden, seeks 1 Staff SEASONAL (May-Oct) \$14.00/hr

Onondaga Camp, Minden, seeks 2 Staff SEASONAL (June-Sept) \$14.00/hr

We are looking for Cleaners to care for our facilities by providing a high standard of cleaning and light maintenance duties. The goal is to keep all facilities in a clean and orderly condition. Responsibilities are to clean and stock designated facility areas (dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.), carry out heavy cleansing tasks and special projects, notify management of occurring deficiencies or needs for repairs, stock and maintain supply rooms, cooperate with the rest of the staff, follow all health and safety regulations, knowledge of cleaning chemicals and supplies, familiarity with Material Safety Data

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Night Patrol

Onondaga Camp, Minden, seeks contract (May-June, September) \$18.00/hr

We are looking for a Night Patrol staff to supervise Camp during the evenings. Hours are from 10 pm – 7 am. Onondaga offers Night Patrol to outdoor education groups who require it when they have students on site. A Clean Criminal Record Check is required. Responsibilities include supervision of site through routine patrol, supervision of clients, collection and logging of nightly occurrences, clear communication with staff, faculty and students. The Night Patrol will identify any issues throughout the evening; immediately notify Onondaga Staff and Faculty to ensure safety of students, staff and site. This is NOT a full time position. Shifts and weekly hours vary.

If you wish to apply, please send a resume to Matt Brown/Site Manager at matt@onondagacamp.com. Please feel free to contact at (705-286-5025)

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400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

(KANDALORE)

It's in our nature

Position: Groundskeeper / Cleaner

Job Type: Seasonal with potential for an extension *Location:* Algonquin Highlands, Ontario Wage: \$14.00 Hourly

Description: Camp Kandalore is located 12 minutes North of Carnarvon in Al gonquin Highlands, Ontario. Since 1947 Kandalore has offered an exemplary camp program to campers age 6-16. Kandalore has a rich history of paddling and canoe tripping which complements our dynamic in-camp activity program. Start Date: April 01/2018

The Role: Camp Kandalore is looking for a hard-working, positive and reliable individual to join our team as a Groundskeeper and Cleaner. This person will be responsible for a variety of duties as outlined by the Site Manager. The general duties include:

- Cleaning of camp common areas including washrooms and shower facilities
- Grass cutting and weed whacking
 Garbage collection and transportation of garbage to nearby landfill sites • Supply washrooms and other common areas with necessary materials
- Assisting maintenance staff with the upkeep of the camp facilities
- Painting and other minor repairs of camp structure,s building basic storage boxes, canoe racks, paddle racks, shelving units etc.

Requirements:

- An appreciation for the environment and outdoor education
- Willing to work six days a week, afternoons, and weekends
- 21 years of age with a class G driver's licence
- Able to lift 50lbs continuously and work in a physically demanding environment
- Able to work outside year round in all types of weather
 Able to work as a positive member of a team as well as independently

Check us out at www.kandalore.com Please submit your resume to Gord Darling ~ Site Manager Gord@kandalore.com

Kandalore thanks all applicants for their interest, but can acknowledge only those selected for an interview.

400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



It's in our nature

Position: Seasonal Camp Cleaner

Job Type: Seasonal: End of June until the beginning of September *Location:* Camp Kandalore Wage: \$14.00 Hourly

Description: Camp Kandalore is looking to hire four candidates to be our cleaning crew this summer. Located 12 minutes North of Carnarvon of of Highway 35, we are a co-ed residential summer camp for campers aged 6-16. Since 1947 Kandalore has offered an exemplary camp program and has a rich history of paddling and canoe tripping. Check us out at www. kandalore.com. We provide food and lodging, access to camp equipment, and a beautiful property to explore.

The Role: Camp Kandalore is looking for four hard-working, positive and reliable people to be our cleaning crew this summer. The general duties of the cleaning crew include:

- Supply washrooms and other common areas with necessary materials
- · Cleaning of camp common areas including washrooms and shower facilities
- Assisting maintenance staff with the upkeep of the camp facilities
- Painting and other minor repairs of camp structures

- Must enjoy working outside and being part of a fun loving community
- Willing to work six days a week, afternoons, and weekends
- Able to lift 25lbs continuously and work in a physically demanding environment
- Able to work as a positive member of a team as well as independently

Please submit your resume to Gord Darling ~ Site Manager Gord@kandalore.com

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



We are currently looking for Full Time/Part Time staff in the following position

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The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) currently has several casual opportunities available for individuals to join the team!

PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKERS

Hyland Crest & Highland Wood Long-Term Care

The Personal Support Workers in Hyland Crest and Highland Wood provide resident care in relation to activities of daily living, quality of life, environment management and continuous communication. The successful candidates must have completed a Personal Support Worker program which meets the requirements of the Long-Term Care Homes Act. (Job # 2018-04)

HOME SUPPORT WORKERS

Supportive Housing - Minden

In Supportive Housing, the Home Support Workers are responsible for performing basic homemaking, personal care and home management duties for clients. Experience providing personal support and home support in the community is required, PSW certification is an asset. (Job # 2018-07)

ACTIVATIONIST

Adult Day Program

Working in the Adult Day Program, the Activationist implements a planned program of social and recreational activities for the clients, and assists with providing personal care for clients such as assisting with meals, toileting and ambulating. A Personal Support Worker Certificate and experience working with older adults, persons with Alzheimer disease or dementia, and adults with physical disabilities is required. (Job # 2018-13)

If you are interested in joining the HHHS team for any of the above positions, or would like more information on the opportunities, please contact:

Human Resources

Haliburton Highlands Health Services Box 115, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0 hr@hhhs.ca Fax: 705-457-4609

www.hhhs.ca

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The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) currently has exciting opportunities available for energetic individuals to join the team!

REGISTERED NURSES & REGISTERED PRACTICAL NURSES

(Acute Care/Emergency Department & Long-Term Care)

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) currently has contract (full-time and part-time) and casual opportunities for RNs and RPNs to join our healthcare team!

Opportunities are available for nurses to provide rural nursing at both the Minden and Haliburton Emergency Departments, which have an average 30,000 combined visits per year, and in the 14-bed inpatient unit. In addition, opportunities exist for nurses to provide holistic care to residents at Hyland Crest, a 62-bed facility in Minden, and in Haliburton at a 30-bed facility, Highland Wood.

As a member of the health care team, the RN and RPN has a unique role in promoting health, in preventing illness, and in helping clients attain and maintain the highest level of health possible. The RN is responsible for providing comprehensive care to patients, with predictable and unpredictable outcomes who may or may not be clinically stable. The successful candidate will possess a diploma/degree in Nursing and a current Certificate of Competence from the College of Nurses of Ontario. Recent experience in an emergency or long-term care setting is preferred.

EMERGENCY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN

(Haliburton Emergency Department)

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) also has a great opportunity for an Emergency Medicine Physician to provide patient care to a wonderful and appreciative community at the Haliburton site. The Haliburton Émergency Department is a busy rural community hospital which sees an average 15,000 visits per year. The successful applicant must be eligible for independent practice licensure with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario with CCFP (EM) certification or CCFP with experience is preferred. In addition, the candidate must have ACLS and PALS certification. Emphasis will be placed on candidates with strong communication skills and experience working in rural environments. Family Medicine positions are also available within the community.

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MINDEN

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- Excellent organization and time management
- Adaptable to work some weekend shifts
 Able to work with office equipment and computers

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Township of Algonquin Highlands Public Works Department

Employment Opportunity Temporary Full-Time MAINTENANCE WORKER (Approximately 6 months)

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is looking for a Temporary full-time Maintenance Worker (Stanhope Yard) with equipment and minor building repair experience to assist with all aspects of municipal summer and winter maintenance programs.

This position is from April to September with a possibility of it being extended.

The successful applicant must have a clean driver's abstract along with a proven ability to operate equipment such as lawnmowers, weed eaters, lawn tractors, chainsaw, snowblower etc. Certification in WHMIS and chainsaw is

Employees are required to be energetic, cooperative, customer service oriented individuals who take pride in their work and have a demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and with a crew. Dependability is a MUST as is the availability to work outside of regular hours including weekends and evenings

> A detailed job description is available online at www.algonquinhighlands.ca or upon request.

The Township of Algonquin Highlands offers a friendly and busy work environment. Interested parties are invited to submit their résumé to the address b p.m. on Wednesday April 4,2018.

> Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1

ATT: Mr. Brian Nicholson Interim Operations Manager Email: bnicholson@algonquinhighlands.ca

We thank all applicants and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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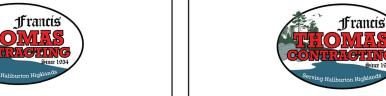


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- · Candidates must be physically fit for outdoor work
- · Strong communication skills an asset

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Labour Position

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- Training provided
- Monday to Friday work schedule
- · Starts immediately
- High school diploma an asset but not required
- · Candidates must be over 18 years old and hold valid G2 driver's license
- Candidates must be physically fit for outdoor work
- · Knowledge of power equipment an asset

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Township of Algonquin Highlands PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

Employment Opportunity

1 SEASONAL OPERATOR Stanhope Yard (Approximately 6 months) May through October

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is looking for 1 Seasonal Operator with heavy equipment experience to assist with all aspects of municipal road maintenance and construction. The ideal candidate will be physically fit as manual labour is an important part of the job.

The successful applicant must have a Class DZ drivers licence (AZ preferred) with a clean driving abstract along with a proven ability to operate heavy equipment such as motor grader, tandem dump with plow/sander and loader/backhoe. Certification in Traffic Control, WHMIS and Chainsaw is preferred.

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> Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands ON K0M 1J1 ATT: Mr. Brian Nicholson Interim Operations Manager Email:bnicholson@algonquinhighlands.ca

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Holy Saturday March 31st 7:00pm Our Lady of Fatima

Easter Sunday April 1st 9:00am St. Patrick's 10:30am Our Lady of Fatima

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The family of **Lenore Prentice**

wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude for all the flowers, cards, donations, prayers and support we have received in her memory. The hugs, the tears, the loving words and the touching memories have all helped us during this sad time.

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She will be missed dearly by many in the community.

Joanne has been cremated and in keeping with her wishes there will be no service.

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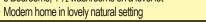
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Crafty creations

March break programming at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre saw participants engaging in activities like dyeing yarn, making paper and sand candles and finger knitting, as seen here. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



Cheyenne Oagace and Tess Husbands were all smiles while working on their projects.



Students participating in March break activities received guidance at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on March 13 during a straw weaving and finger knitting activity. Programming at the centre also included activities like wet felting, games, art book journaling and a mapmaking activity.



Vanessa Zeman worked independently during a straw weaving and finger knitting activity.

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Listen and Play every Tuesday Night at 6pm Three games are played each Tuesday Night



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- Awesome 2-Lake chain (Long & Miskwabi)
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- Beautiful & Private \$449,000 Nicely finished 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
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Minden Lake \$319,000

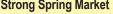
- 3 Season cottage full of charm & character
- 3 Bedrooms, open concept living space
- Sits close to the lake, sand entry to deep water



Custom home on 8.65 Acres \$519,000

Extensively renovated with premium finishes Centrally located between Haliburton & Minden





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Large Acreage \$420,000

- 198 Acres of pasture & woods
- Small Pond & stone walls
- Driveway in, ready to build



- Point lot, nice beach area w/600 ft fr & 1.47 acres
- Yr-round, 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, att'd dbl car garage
- Open concept, Irg principle rooms, 2 stone FPs



Diamond Lake Lot \$114,900

- Lovely lot on a deep, clean lake
- Off a year round road with driveway Installed
- Site has been cleared, 15 mins to Bancroft



Minden Lot \$99,000

- Just North of Minden
- 3.5 Acre Lot, 778' Road Frontage
- Driveway In, Hydro @ Lot Line

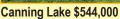


Cameron Lake \$650,000

- 1500 square foot waterfront home or cottage
- Walkout bsmt, high ceilings, much more
- 3 bedroom, 2 baths,







- Winterized 3 bedroom vacation home & bunkie
- Newly renovated, level property, 5 lake chain
- · Sand shoreline, deep water off the dock



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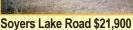
- 4 Season Viceroy with wrap around deck
- 158 Ft of water frontage, sand beach
- 1800 Sq Ft, 5 bedrooms, perfect for entertaining



West Guilford Lot

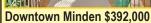
- 1+ acre flat building lot outside of town
- Driveway in and site has been cleared
- Close to shopping and conveniences





- Great rolling lot Central Location
- Close to many lakes and beaches
- Outlined in trees with clearing within





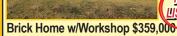
- Great commercial building, centrally located
- Almost 3,000 sq ft of renovated space w/ parking
- Great retail location with high volume of traffic





- Yr RD, 3 Bdrm Cottage, Wood Flrs
- LK View, 2 Firepit, Sandy & Deep
- Sledding, Kayaking, Canoing, Boating





200 Ft Frtg, 2.23 Ac, Appx 2152 sq.ft.

3 bdm/2 bath w/large heated workshop

Between Minden & Haliburton



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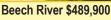
Updated 2 bedroom nome with screen porch 4 pc bath w/ jet tub, propane forced air furnace Close to 12 Mile Lake Beach and restaurants



lotal privacy, stunning views

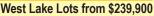
 Over 2 acres & 200 ft of water frontage • 3 bedrooms, 2 baths & hot tub!





- 4 bdrm, 2 bathroom Home or Cottage
- Peaceful location, plus Boat into Big Boshkung
- Features include In-Law living quarters





- 3 beautiful waterfront lots to choose from
- · Access via township road, terrific building sites
- Suitable for home or cottage location



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